

**AMENDMENTS TO THE ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE**

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--A method for operating an appliance includes at least one drying cycle, which makes it possible to operate appliances comprising at least one drying cycle as economically as possible while efficiently drying the material that is to be dried and keeping the energy consumption associated therewith as low as possible. Air contained in a processing space is conducted out of and back into the processing space during the drying cycle via a conduit system into which both ends of a heat tube protrude. The air is cooled while being directed through the conduit system such that humidity is removed therefrom, whereupon the air is heated again.--